

REVIEW

From Prof.Dr. M.D. Hristo Stoyanov Bozov,
Faculty of Medicine, University 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas
For the acquiring of the academic degree of associate professor
In the University 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas

1. Data for the competition

The competition is announced pursuant to the field of higher education: in the field of the higher education 7. Health care and sports, professional direction 7.1 Medicine, scientific specialty 'Obstetrics and Gynecology', Official Gazette, issue 69 of 11.08.2023

The reasons for writing the Review is Order No 288 of 18.10.2023 for the determination of the panel of the scientific jury and the first meeting of the scientific jury during which I was chosen to draw up the Review.

The present Review is drawn up in accordance with the Development of academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria Act, The Regulations for the implementation of the Development of academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria Act and the Regulations for the terms and the order of acquiring of scientific degrees and taking of academic positions in the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas.

The only candidate in the competition is associate professor Dr. M.D. Pavel Petrov Dobrev. The presented set of documents for the participation in the competition is in accordance with article 67 (2) of the Regulations for the terms and the order of acquiring of scientific degrees and taking of academic positions in the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas.

1. Candidate in the competition

Associate professor Dr. M.D. Pavel Petrov Dobrev is born on 23.06.1986. In 2011 he graduated the specialty 'Medicine' at the Medical University in Varna (Diploma No 001494 of 22.11.2011). During the period of 2011-2016 he specialized in Oncological clinic of minimally invasive and robotized surgery in Pleven, as part of the team of the Member of correspondence Prof.Dr. M.D. Grigor Gorchev. In 2011 he acquired the specialty 'Obstetrics and Gynecology' at the Medical University in Pleven (Diploma No 020789 of 01.03.2017). In 2022 he acquired the educational and scientific degree 'Doctor' in the specialty 'Obstetrics and Gynecology' in the professional direction 7.1. Medicine for defending a thesis on 'Genitourinary syndrome of the menopause in women after hormone, surgical and radiation castration' from the Medical University 'Prof.Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov' in town of Varna (Diploma No 537 of 22.12.2022).

The candidate's years of service began as an intern at the Complex Oncological Centre in 2016. He is Head of the Oncogynaecological department at the Complex Oncological Centre Burgas from 2018 until now. He is an assistant since 2021 and Assistant professor in Obstetrics and Gynecology' at the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas since 2022.

2. General characteristics of the scientific and scientific-applied activity and the evaluation of the personal contribution of the candidate

The scientific interests of Dr. M.D. Pavel Petrov Dobrev are focused on Gynaecological oncology, pelvic surgery, laparoscopic surgery, colposcopy and hysteroscopy.

According to the presented List of publications for the participation in the competition, Dr. Dobrev applied with 12 scientific works amongst which 1 monographic work, 1 published book based on his thesis, 4 publication in Scopus and Webof Science (one of which was independent), 6 publications in reviewed scientific magazines and 2 reviews which were printed in Report books. A reference with 6 positive citations of the author's works of the candidate in scientific publications, which are referenced and indexes in the world renowned databases with scientific information were presented. The candidate was a member of the team of Project No 18/2013: Stress-hormonal response in opened and mini-invasive (laparoscopic and robotized) surgery in Gynecology and Urology.

Dr. Dobrev has a strong interest in the current problems of our time. His monographic work which is entitled 'Possibilities of improvement of the quality of life in Genitourinary syndrome of the menopause with CO2 laser therapy' is a valuable aid and a timely response in the fast developing interest of the people who are interested in laser therapy professionally with the emphasis on the its safe application for the treatment of Genitourinary syndrome of the menopause.

The scientific results of the candidate are original and with clinical application. They are focused at the application of CO2 laser therapy for the treatment of the symptomatic of vulvo-vaginal atrophy, the examinations of the Genitourinary syndrome of the menopause and the operative approach of oncological diseases in the endoscopic and conventional surgery.

The candidate has a number of specializations and qualification courses connected with Gynaecological oncological, endoscopic, mini-invasive and robotized surgery, hysteromorcellation of endometrial polypus and myomatous nodes of the uterus, operative laparoscopy, hysteroscopy, colposcopy and cryodestruction of the cervix uteri and others which supplements his appearance and competences as an established specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology and a competent researcher with vast theoretical and practical skills. He is a member of the Bulgarian scientific society in Obstetrics and Gynecology, the Bulgarian Medical Union and the Bulgarian Association of Gynaecological oncology.

Dr. Dobrev has a high profile not only as a researcher, but also among the doctor's community. In confirmation of that is the award 'Young doctor of Burgas 2020' he got in October of 2020 for people up to 35 years of age with scientific-practical achievements and recognition from the patients.

Associate professor Dr. M.D. Pavel Dobrev fully covers the minimal national requirements and the minimal requirements of the Regulations for the terms and the order of acquiring of scientific degrees and taking of academic positions in the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas for acquiring the academic position of 'associate professor' in professional direction 7.1. Medicine. He has a total of 592.45 points (the minimum requirement of the university in 450 points) distributed in group indexes as follows:

Group of indexes A - 50 points Group of indexes B - 100 points Group of indexes C – 267.45 points (the minimum requirement of the Regulations for the terms and the order of acquiring of scientific degrees and taking of academic positions in the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas of at least 220 points)

Group of indexes D - 90 points (the minimum requirement of the Regulations for the terms and the order of acquiring of scientific degrees and taking of academic positions in the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' - Burgas of at least 60 points)

Group of indexes E-85 points (the minimum requirement of the Regulations for the terms and the order of acquiring of scientific degrees and taking of academic positions in the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas of at least 20 points)

3. Evaluation of the educational-teaching work

Pursuant to the attached Reference for the educational-teaching activity, Associate professor Dr. M.D. Pavel Dobrev conducts lectures and classes in Gynecology to students from the speciality 'Obstetricians' at the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' – Burgas and has full employment.

I believe that Dr. Pavel Dobrev has the necessary teaching experience and degree preparedness for the academic position of 'associate professor'.

4. Conclusion

Associate professor Dr. M.D. Pavel Dobrev is a scientist, an excellent doctor and a practitioner in the area of Gynecology and Gynaecological oncology. After I got acquainted with the documents and the scientific works presented by him, I hereby confirm the compliance of the candidate's results with the requirements of the Development of academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria Act, The Regulations for the implementation of the Development of academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria Act and the Regulations for the terms and the order of acquiring of scientific degrees and taking of academic positions in the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' — Burgas for taking the academic position of 'associate professor' in professional direction 7.1. Medicine. The candidate fulfils the minimal national requirements in the professional direction, as well as the additional requirements of the university.

Based on the above mentioned, I give a positive evaluation of the candidacy of Associate professor Dr. M.D. Pavel Dobrev.

I recommend to the scientific jury to propose to the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Public Health and Healthcare at the university 'Prof.Dr. Assen Zlatarov' — Burgas to choose Associate professor Dr. M.D. Pavel Dobrev to take the academic position of 'associate professor' in the Higher education area 7 — Healthcare and sport, professional direction 7.1. Medicine, scientific specialty 'Obstetrics and Gynecology'.

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